

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

**O'BRIEN et al.**

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SHARED INTERNET STORAGE RESOURCE, USER INTERFACE  
SYSTEM, AND METHOD

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**RESPONSE TO  
NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY DATED 05/06/2002**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice Of Incomplete Reply dated May 6, 2002, Applicant Assignee Xdrive Technologies, Inc. has enclosed revised drawings that are believed to meet the indicated criteria in the Notice, namely 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(o).

Applicant Assignee hereby draws the Commissioner's attention to the fact that the drawings initially filed in the instant application are identical to those in U.S. Patent No. 6,351,776 B1 issued to O'Brien et al. on February 26, 2002 for a Shared Internet Storage Resource, User Interface System, and Method and assigned to Applicant Assignee.

No indication in either the Notice of Incomplete Reply or the prior Notice of Missing Parts was given with regard to what text was considered excessive. In light of the other drawing requirements set forth in the related Patent Rules, 37 C.F.R. § 1.81 et seq., Applicant

Assignee closely reviewed the drawings to determine what text could be excised without departing from such rules.

As a result of Applicant Assignee's review, Figure 1 was revised to remove the descriptive text on generally the right side of the Figure. No other text was removed as Applicant Assignee believes that such text is necessary for better understanding the invention and as such remaining descriptive legends are suitable and contain as few words as possible.

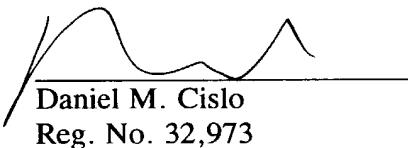
The Requirements set forth in the Notice of Incomplete Reply are believed to have been met and the application is believed to be in condition for examining. Enclosed is a copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply as required by that same Notice.

No fees are believed to be necessary, and it is not believed that any additional fees are due; however, in the event any additional fees are due, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Attorney's Deposit Account No. 03-2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)**

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*Filing Date Granted*

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 04/16/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 03/13/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawings contain excessive text. Suitable descriptive legends may be used, or may be required by the Examiner where necessary for understanding of the drawing but should contain as few words as possible ( see 37 CFR 1.84(o));

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

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